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In the Application of Ernst Michael Winter, et al

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For: GEMSTONE

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED 11/22/00**

Dear Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

16. Gemstone comprising:

a plate-shaped support having a surface with at least one pyramid-shaped depression, each said at least one pyramid-shaped depression having a pyramid angle formed between adjoining faces of said at least one pyramid-shaped

*BC 4/3/01*